

NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Residential Crime Spree with Arrest

Location: 300 Block of Rancho Drive

Date/Time Occurred: 8/21/20 @ 2048 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Police Patrol, VPD K9 Unit

Suspect(s): Male Juvenile – 17 yrs

Report #: 20-55180

Narrative:

On the above listed date and time, the Ventura Police Command Center received a 9-1-1 call from a resident in the 300 Block of Rancho Drive. The caller reported a prowler in their backyard, pounding on the door. Through later investigation, we learned that the suspect prowled in a second backyard, damaged a parked vehicle by punching and kicking it, and ransacked another car that was unlocked in a driveway. The suspect then knocked on the front door of a third residence and when the homeowner opened the door slightly, he pushed his way into the home but was successfully pushed out by the owner. When officers arrived on scene, the suspect was actively attempting to regain entry into the front door of that home. He was covered in blood and acting erratically. After a brief struggle, the suspect was taken into custody. He was arrested for prowling, vandalism, and residential burglary.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.